

**The CMS Quarterly Provider Update
April 2006**

What's New

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05/01/2006

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1270-P, entitled "Competitive Acquisition for Certain Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) and Other Issues; Proposed Rule," was released. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies. [View CMS-1270-P](#)

CMS-2235-NC correction, entitled "Redistribution of Unexpended SCHIP Funds From the Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2003," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid. [View CMS-2235-NC Correction](#)

04/28/2006

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1319-N, entitled "Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council (PPAC) for May 22, 2006," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice. [View CMS-1319-N](#).

CMS-2231-IFC, entitled "State Allotments for Payment of Medicare Part B Premiums for Qualifying Individuals: Fiscal Year 2006," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid. [View CMS-2231-IFC](#).

CMS-3171-N, entitled "Review of the Appropriateness of Payment Amounts for New Technology Intraocular Lenses (NTIOLs) Furnished by Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs), Calendar Year 2006," was released. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers. [View CMS-3171-N](#).

CMS-4094-F4, entitled "Amendment to the Interim Final Regulation for Mental Health Parity," was released. This regulation affects Other Businesses.

[View CMS-4094-F4.](#)

CMS-4113-N, entitled "Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education, May 25, 2006," was released. This regulation affects All Providers.

[View CMS-4113-N.](#)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 923 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Update of Radiopharmaceutical Imaging Agents HCPCS Codes Applicable to PET Scan Services for Carriers," was released. This instruction affects Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 923 \(PDF - 99 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 918 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "General Provider Education for Changes in the Payment for Oxygen Equipment and Capped Rentals for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Based on the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 918 \(PDF - 84 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 46 of the Demonstrations, entitled "Additional Clarification of CR 3816 Business Requirements," was released. This instruction affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Hospitals, Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 46 \(PDF - 84 KB\)](#)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 928 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "July Quarterly Update for 2006 Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Fee Schedule," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 928 \(PDF - 140 KB\)](#)

04/25/2006

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1488-P, entitled "Proposed Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2007 Rates," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals. **[View CMS-1488-P.](#)**

04/21/2006

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-2235-NC, entitled "Redistribution of Unexpended SCHIP Funds From the Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2003," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid. [**View CMS-2235-NC.**](#)

CMS-6002-F, entitled "Requirements for Providers and Suppliers to Establish and Maintain Medicare Enrollment," was released. This regulation affects All Providers. [**View CMS-6002-F.**](#)

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED --
MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 52 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Cardiac Rehabilitation Programs" was released. This instruction affects Physicians and Hospitals.

[**View the complete text of Transmittal 52 \(PDF - 50 KB\)**](#)

Transmittal 53 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Clarification on Billing Requirements for Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty (PTA) Concurrent With the Placement of an FDA-Approved Carotid Stent," was released. This instruction affects Physicians and Hospitals.

[**View the complete text of Transmittal 53 \(PDF - 65 KB\)**](#)

Transmittal 909 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Cardiac Rehabilitation Programs," was released. This instruction affects Physicians and Hospitals. [**View the complete text of Transmittal 909 \(PDF - 102 KB\)**](#)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 914 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Additional \$50 Payment for New Technology Intraocular Lenses (NTIOLs) Furnished in Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs)," was released. This instruction affects All Providers.

[**View the complete text of Transmittal 914 \(PDF -177 KB\)**](#)

04/19/2006

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED --
MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 907 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Modify Common Working File (CWF) Edit 51#L," was released. This instruction affects All Providers.

[**View the complete text of Transmittal 907 \(PDF - 76 KB\)**](#)

04/17/2006

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 94 of the Medicare Financial Management Manual, entitled "Notice of New Interest Rate for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments," was

released. This instruction affects All Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 94 \(PDF - 117 KB\)](#)

04/14/2006

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED --
MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 6 of the Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual, Part 2, entitled "Chapter 11, Form CMS-339," was released. This instruction affects All Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 6 \(PDF - 323 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 45 of Demonstrations, entitled "Method of Cost Settlement for Inpatient Services for Rural Hospitals Participating Under Demonstration Authorized by Section 410A of the Medicare Modernization Act," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 45 \(PDF - 416 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 903 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled " Payment for Blood Clotting Factors Administered to Hemophilia Inpatients," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 903 \(PDF - 206 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 906 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Full Replacement for Change Request 4266, Revision for Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) and Physician Scarcity Area (PSA) Bonus Billing for Some Globally Billed Services," was released. This instruction affects Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 906 \(PDF - 183 KB\)](#)

04/12/2006

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1531-IFC, entitled "Medicare Graduate Medical Education Affiliation Provisions for Teaching Hospitals in Certain Emergency Situations," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals. **[View CMS-1531-IFC](#)**

04/07/2006

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1481-N, entitled "Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting--May 1 Through May 2, 2006," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice. **[View CMS-1481-N](#)**

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED --
MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 44 of the Medicare Demonstrations Manual, entitled "Additional Billing Guidance for HHA Sites in the Demonstration Project for Medical Adult Day-Care Services (MMA Section 703)," was released. This instruction affects

Home Health Agencies.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 44 \(PDF -79 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 49 of the Medicare Secondary Payer Manual, entitled "Manualizing Long-Standing Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Policy in Chapter 2 of the MSP Internet Only Manual (IOM)," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. **[View the complete text of Transmittal 49 \(PDF - 207 KB\)](#)**

Transmittal 51 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Nesiritide for Treatment of Heart Failure Patients," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 51 \(PDF - 45 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 218 of the One-Time Notification Manual, entitled "Nesiritide for Treatment of Heart Failure Patients," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 218 \(PDF - 121 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 900 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Update to Chapter 24 CMS Website URL References," was released. This instruction affects All Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 900 \(PDF - 153 KB\)](#)

Transmittal 902 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) Manual Revision: Clarification of Coding and Payment for Drug Administration," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 902 \(PDF - 130 KB\)](#)

04/05/2006

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-3017-F, entitled "Conditions for Payment of Power Mobility Devices, Including Power Wheelchairs and Power-Operated Vehicles," was released. This regulation affects Suppliers. **[View CMS-3017-F](#)**

CMS-4015-P, entitled "Notification Procedures for Hospital Discharges," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals. **[View CMS-4105-P](#)**